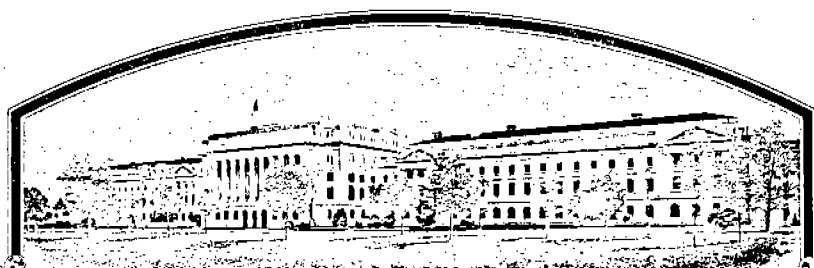


No.



7400095

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Asgrow Seed Company

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE
Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF *seventeen* YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT 34 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

LETTUCE

'Citation'

*In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the seal of the Plant
Variety Protection Office to be affixed
at the City of Washington
this 20th day of November in
the year of our Lord one thousand nine
hundred and seventy-four*

Attest:

L. J. Rollin
Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Grain Division
Agricultural Marketing Service

Earl L. Buttz

Secretary of Agriculture

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

INSTRUCTIONS: See Reverse.

1. VARIETY NAME OR TEMPORARY DESIGNATION Citation (XP 71)	2. KIND NAME Lettuce	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY	
3. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME Lacfuca sativa	4. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) Compositae	PV NUMBER 7400095	FILING DATE 4.29.74
5. DATE OF DETERMINATION September 1962		TIME 9 A.M.	FEE RECEIVED \$ 250.00
6. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Asgrow Seed Company	7. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code) Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001	BALANCE DUE \$ —	
9. IF THE NAMED APPLICANT IS NOT A PERSON, FORM OF ORGANIZATION: (Corporation, partnership, association, etc.) Corporation	10. STATE OF INCORPORATION Delaware	8. TELEPHONE AREA CODE AND NUMBER (616) 382-4000	11. DATE OF INCORPORATION March 22, 1968

12. Name and mailing address of applicant representative(s), if any, to serve in this application and receive all papers:

Allen R. Trotter
Asgrow Seed Company
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001

13. CHECK BOX BELOW FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED:

- ☒ 13A. Exhibit A, Origin and Breeding History of the Variety (See Section 52 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.)
- ☒ 13B. Exhibit B, Botanical Description of the Variety
- ☒ 13C. Exhibit C, Objective Description of the Variety
- ☒ 13D. Exhibit D, Data Indicative of Novelty
- ☒ 13E. Exhibit E, Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Ownership

14A. Does the applicant(s) specify that seed of this variety be sold by variety name only as a class of certified seed? (See Section 83(a). (If "Yes," answer 14B and 14C below.) ☐ YES ☒ NO14B. Does the applicant(s) specify that this variety be limited as to number of generations? ☐ YES ☒ NO14C. If "Yes," to 14B, how many generations of production beyond breeder seed? ☐ FOUNDATION ☐ REGISTERED ☐ CERTIFIED

The applicant declares that a viable sample of basic seed of this variety will be deposited upon request before issuance of a certificate and will be replenished periodically in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable.

The undersigned applicant(s) of this sexually-reproduced novel plant variety believes that the variety is distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41 and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.

Applicant is informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.

April 23, 1974
(DATE)

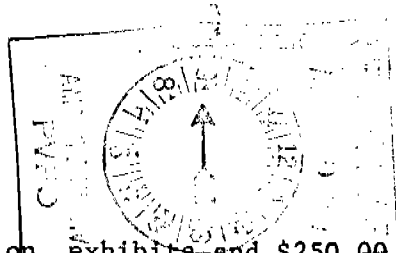
Allen Trotter
(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

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(DATE)

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

INSTRUCTIONS



GENERAL: Send an original copy of the application, exhibits and \$250.00 fee to U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, Grain Division, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782. (See Section 180.175 of the regulations and rules of practice.) Retain one copy for your files. All items on the face of the form are self-explanatory unless noted below.

ITEM

- 5 Insert the date the applicant determined that he had a new variety based on the definition in Section 41 (a) of the Act and decision is made to increase the seed.
- 13a First, give the genealogy, including public and commercial varieties, lines, or clones used, and the breeding method. Second, give the details of subsequent stages of selection and multiplication. Third, indicate the type and frequency of variants during reproduction and multiplication and state how these variants may be identified. Fourth, provide evidence on stability.
- 13b First, give any special characteristics of the seed and of the plant as it passes through the seedling stage, flowering stage and the fruiting stage. Second, describe the mature plant and compare it with a similar commercial variety grown under the same conditions, and indicate the differences.
- 13c A supplemental form will be furnished by the PVPO to describe in detail a variety for each kind of seed.
- 13d Provide complete data indicative of novelty. Seed and plant specimens or photographs of seed and plant comparisons clearly indicating novelty may be submitted. Seeds submitted may be sterile.
- 13e Indicate whether applicant is the actual breeder, the employer of the breeder, the owner through purchase or inheritance, etc.

CITATION

EXHIBIT A

Origin and Breeding history of the variety.

Citation originated in 1953, with the cross Cheshunt Early Giant x Great Lakes 118. Selections and evaluations were subsequently made for three generations when in 1957, it appeared that the type had been set and the line was then bulked. Further evaluation indicated some variability. Single plant selections were again made in 1960, and evaluation of these led to an increase of one of these selections in 1962. Mosaic Free stock seed was produced in 1972. No characteristic off-types have been noted. Increases of the bulked line in 1961, and further increases in 1962 and 1972 have shown no breakdown in the stability of this variety.

EXHIBIT B

Botanical description of the variety

This white seeded variety is characterised in the seedling stage by a round leaf with a relatively narrow leaf base as shown by the leaf outline attachment to Exhibit C. Leaf margin of the mature plant is entire and smooth with frame leaves being smooth and relatively non-blistered on the exposed portion. Inner leaves do not form a smooth overlapping head such as White Boston but rather a tight, crinkled - partially folded cluster of thick, crisp leaves with a golden color.

Seed stalk formation is slower than other butterheads with which this has been compared and is slower to develop than most crisphead varieties in our seed fields.

INSTRUCTIONS: See reverse.

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
(LETTUCE)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Asgrow Seed Company	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code) Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001	PVPO NUMBER 297 - 1 -
	VARIETY NAME OR TEMPORARY DESIGNATION Citation

Place the appropriate number that describes the varietal character of this variety in the boxes below.

1. PLANT TYPE: <div>50</div> 10 = CUTTING (Leaf) 20 = STALK 50 = BUTTERHEAD 60 = LATIN 70 = OTHER (Specify) _____		30 = COS 31 = SELF-CLOSING GROUP 32 = LOOSE-CLOSING GROUP	40 = CRISPHEAD 41 = IMPERIAL GROUP 42 = GREAT LAKES GROUP 43 = VANGUARD 44 = NEW YORK GROUP
2. SEED COLOR: <div>1</div> 1 = WHITE 2 = BLACK 3 = YELLOW		3. ANTHOCYANIN: <div>1</div> 1 = ABSENT 2 = PRESENT	
4. LEAF CONTAINING ANTHOCYANIN: <div></div> 1 = COVERED 2 = SPOTTED 3 = ALONG MARGIN 4 = ABSENT 5 = OTHER (Specify) _____			
5. LEAF SURFACE TEXTURE: <div>1</div> 1 = SMOOTH 2 = BLISTERED	6. LEAF SURFACE REFLECTANCE: <div>1</div> 1 = DULL 2 = GLOSSY 3 = OTHER (Specify) _____		
7. LEAF MARGIN: <div>2</div> 1 = STRAIGHT 2 = WAVY 3 = CURLED	8. LEAF SHAPE: <div>1</div> 1 = ROUNDED 2 = POINTED <div>2</div> 1 = BROADER THAN LONG 2 = LONGER THAN BROAD 3 = OTHER (Specify) _____		
9. LEAF COLOR: (See reverse.) <div>6</div> 1 = RED 2 = REDDISH-BROWN 3 = YELLOW 4 = YELLOWISH-GREEN 5 = GREYISH-GREEN 6 = BLUE-GREEN 7 = DARK-GREEN 8 = VERY DARK GREEN			
10. HEADS: <div>2</div> 1 = SPHERICAL 2 = FLATTENED 3 = ELONGATE 4 = POINTED 5 = NON-HEADING		11. PLANT SIZE: (See reverse.) <div>3</div> 1 = SMALL 2 = MEDIUM 3 = LARGE	
12. CULTURE: <div>3</div> 1 = SUMMER CROP 2 = WINTER CROP 3 = NOT SPECIFIC 4 = UNDER GLASS 5 = OTHER (Specify) All seasons conducive to lettuce growing.			
13. SIZE OF 10-DAY OLD SEEDLING GROWN UNDER CONSTANT LIGHT (Growth Chamber) AT 25° C.: (Place a zero in first box (i.e. <div>02</div>) when size is 9 mm. or less.) 1 <div>21</div> mm. LENGTH OF SEEDLING <div>12</div> mm. LENGTH OF COTYLEDON <div>05</div> mm. WIDTH OF COTYLEDON			
14. DISEASE RESISTANCE TO: (Enter zeroes in box(es) where there is no special disease resistance.) <div>0</div> 1 = TIPBURN <div>0</div> 2 = MOSAIC <div>0</div> 3 = DAMPING OFF <div>0</div> 4 = DOWNY MILDEW <div>0</div> 5 = SCLEROTINIA ROT <div>0</div> 6 = BROWN BLIGHT <div>0</div> 7 = BIG VEIN <div>0</div> 8 = OTHER (Specify) _____			
15. OUTLINE THE FOURTH LEAF: (For standardization purposes, the fourth leaf should be taken from a 20-day old plant grown under constant light.)			

See Attached Sheet

Exhibit D

Data Indicative of Novelty (Revised)

Citation most nearly resembles Buttercrunch, but differs from that variety in a number of ways. One way is in seedling measurements:

	Seedling Length	Hypocotyl Length	Cotyledon Length	Cotyledon Width
Citation	121 mm.	11.7 mm.	12.4 mm.	5.0 mm.
Buttercrunch	129 mm.	10.7 mm.	9.0 mm.	4.3 mm.

Buttercrunch has greater seedling length, but smaller cotyledons than Citation.

Buttercrunch has a broader petiole than Citation, which tends to have a narrow, tapered petiole.

The mature plant of Citation is a distinctive blue-green color, much darker than the yellow-green of Buttercrunch. In the mature plant Citation leaves are rather smooth with a smooth margin; Buttercrunch has a more savoyed leaf with a more incised margin.

Citation normally produces heads which are considerably larger than Buttercrunch.

Citation has shown more resistance to bitterness than Buttercrunch and is more resistant to bolting than Buttercrunch.

EXHIBIT E

STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF APPLICANT'S OWNERSHIP

Citation was developed by Kenneth A. Bixby, Asgrow Plant Breeder. By agreement between the employee and Asgrow Seed Company, all rights to any invention, discovery, or development made by the employee while employed by Asgrow Seed Company, are assigned to Asgrow Seed Company with no rights of any kind retained by the employee.

16. INDICATE WHICH VARIETY MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT SUBMITTED:

CHARACTER		NAME OF VARIETY				
Leaf color		Bibb - without the red pigmentation				
Leaf pigmentation		None				
Leaf shape		Buttercrunch				
Plant size		Buttercrunch				
Head size		Dark Green Boston				
VARIETY	NO. OF DAYS TO HEAD MATURITY UNDER WINTER CROPPING	LOCATION	NO. OF DAYS TO HEAD MATURITY UNDER SUMMER CROPPING	LOCATION	NO. OF DAYS TO SEED STALK EMERGENCE UNDER SUMMER CROPPING	LOCATION
Submitted	105	Milpitas, Cal.	62	Milpitas, Cal.	78	Coalinga, Cal.
Similar	105	Milpitas, Cal.	58	Milpitas, Cal.	50	Coalinga, Cal.
Name of similar variety	Buttercrunch		Buttercrunch		White Boston	

INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL: The following publications may be used as a reference aid for completing this form:

- 1. C. M. Rodenburg, 1960, Varieties of Lettuce, An International Monograph, Institutunt Voor de Veredeling van Tuinbouwgewassen, Wageningen, Holland.
- 2. L. L. Morse, 1930, Field Notes on Lettuce, published by Ferry-Morse Seed Co.

LEAF COLOR: Nickerson's or any recognized color fan may be used to determine the leaf color of the described variety. The following lettuce varieties may be used as a guide to identify the eight colors listed on the form.

Color	Variety
Red	"Salad Trim"
Reddish-brown	"Ruby"
Yellow	"Salad Bowl"
Yellowish-green	"Oakleaf"
Greyish-green	"White Boston"
Bluish-green	"Bibb"
Dark-green	"Imperial" group
Very dark green	"Deer Tongue"

PLANT SIZE: The following varieties may be used as a guide to identify the plant type size:

TYPE	COMPARABLE VARIETIES		
	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE
Cutting (leaf)	Boston-Curled	Prize Head	Grand Rapids
Stalk (stem)	Celtuce	--	--
Cos	Express	Parris Island	Giant White
Crisphead	Mignonette	Hanson (Merit)	Climax
Butterhead	Tom Thumb	Big Boston	Mammoth Butter
Latin	Sucrine	Creole	Deer Tongue



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February 21, 1996

Ann Zempolich
Plant Variety Protection Office
NAL Building, Room 500
Beltsville, MD 20705-2351

Subject: Expiration of PV Application No.7400095, *Lactuca sativa* 'Citation' and Transfer of seed sample

Dear Ann:

Per instructions from the PVPO and per our letter from Dr. Wiesner dated November 8, 1995, we have transferred the control of the subject sample to NPGS. We have made all necessary changes to our records.

Sincerely,

Eugene D. KEYS
Computer Assistant
Data Management & System Support